DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE AND SECURITIES REGULATION

NOTICE OF FINAL RULEMAKING

The Commissioner of Insurance and Securities Regulation, pursuant to the authority set forth in section 23 of the District of Columbia Health Maintenance Organization Act of 1996, effective April 9, 1997, D.C. Law 11-235, D.C. Official Code § 31-3422, hereby gives notice of his adoption, upon publication of this notice in the <u>D.C. Register</u>, the following amendment to Chapter 35 of Title 26 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (DCMR). The purpose of this amendment is to update the rules consistent with the Health Maintenance Organization Amendment Act of 2002, effective March 26, 2003, D.C. Law 14-252, D.C. Official Code §§ 31-3402, 31-3403, 31-3406, 31-3808, 31-3412, 31-3418, 31-3419, 31-3423, 31-3428 and 31-3431, to add provisions governing the renewal fees.

This Notice of Final Rulemaking supercedes the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking as published in the <u>D.C. Register</u> on May 2, 2003 at 50 DCMR 3481.

Chapter 35 of Title 26 DCMR, styled "Health Maintenance Organizations (HMOs)," is amended to read as follows:

3500 ESTABLISHMENT OF HEALH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS AND RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

- Any person seeking to operate an HMO in the District of Columbia shall file an application for a certificate of authority accompanied by the required supporting documentation with the Commissioner of Insurance and Securities Regulation ("Commissioner"), and is responsible for paying the following fees:
 - (a) An initial filing fee in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00).
 - (b) The renewal fee for certificates of authority in the amount of two hundred dollars (\$200.00).
 - (c) The renewal fee must be received by the Commissioner by April 1 of each renewal year.